

RE GRANVILLE STREET LIGHTING.

Office of City Solicitor, March 26th, 1913

His Worship the Mayor:

Sir:—In response to the request for my opinion as to the right of the City to supply electric current generated by the waste power of the incinerator, I beg to say that I know of no reason why the City cannot utilize the power now going to waste at the incinerator by either itself making use of it or selling or giving it to some person who can make use of it. The only difficulty suggested to me has been a possible conflict with the terms of the contract for street lighting with the Halifax Electric Tramway Company. The terms of that contract provide that the Company agrees:

(a) To furnish and provide for the City all the work, plant, materials and electric current necessary and proper for the supplying, erecting, maintaining, operating and keeping in constant good working order in the streets of the City, such number of electric arc street lamps of two thousand candle power each (as specified in the schedule hereto) and of electric incandescent street lamps of fifty candle power each as the City from time to time requires, provided that the number of such arc lamps so required shall not at any time be less than three hundred and fifty or more than four hundred and ten; and

(b) To provide electric current for lighting the buildings of the City.

The City agrees that except as was in the contract otherwise provided, the contract was to include all the lighting required by the City. The exception authorized the City to light the incinerator and grounds by electric energy developed at the incinerator.

To do its lighting at the incinerator, the City will require to instal a plant for the generation of electricity. The amount so generated will be in excess of what is required. Under the terms of the contract the City could not itself make use of this power for lighting purposes. But this the City does not propose to do. The lighting proposed will be done by the merchants on Granville Street themselves chiefly for their own benefit. All that the City proposes to do, is to allow them to make use of a surplus product that would otherwise go to waste. With the lighting itself the City has no connection any more than it has, for instance, with an electric sign, which is, of course, in a sense, a street light.

I do not think that in so doing, the City will be guilty of any breach of its agreement.

F. H. BELL, *City Solicitor.*

The following resolution is submitted:—

Resolved, that the City Council apply to the Nova Scotia Legislature for power to borrow \$10,500.00 for the purpose of installing an electric plant in connection with the Incinerator, and erecting wires.

Moved by Alderman Hattie, seconded by Alderman Keltie.

By unanimous consent of Council action on this matter is deferred.

Read report Library Commission covering accounts for payment.

LIBRARY ACCOUNTS.

Citizens' Free Library, Halifax, N. S., March 25th, 1913.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council:

Gentlemen:—The Library Commission beg to recommend for payment the following accounts which have been examined, found correct and certified by the Librarian, viz:—

T. C. Allen & Co., stationery, \$3.45; A. L. A. Publishing Board, booklist, 1913, \$1.00; Boston Book Co., special libraries, May, 1912, \$.32; Chronicle Publishing Co., subscription, 1913, \$6.00; Bolton Hall, two books, \$1.20; Heaton's Agency, Heaton's annual, \$1.13; Library Bureau of Canada, cards, etc., \$11.10; Mutual Subscription Agency, subscriptions to periodicals, 1913, \$145.51; Flavel & Shurtleff, proceedings 2nd, 3rd, 4th National Conference on City Planning, \$5.00; C. D. Cazenove & Son, books 8s. 3d. \$2.00; H. W. Wilson Co., subscription to Readers' Guide, 1913, \$6.00; Little, Brown & Co., books per invoice to be charged to Loan Account, \$80.75. Total, \$263.46.

G. A. MacKENZIE,
R. F. KELTIE,
R. M. HATTIE.

Moved by Alderman MacKenzie, seconded by Alderman Hattie that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read certificates of the City Medical Officer and Dr. J. R. Corston relating to the death of Driver Robert MacKenzie of the Fire Department.

By unanimous consent of Council, No. 5 on Order of the Day is now taken up.

Read No. 5, viz:—Report Finance Committee re gratuity of \$1,000.00 to widow of Robert MacKenzie, a driver in the Fire Department. Deferred awaiting medical certificate re cause of death. March 13th, 1913. Page 516.

Moved by Alderman Scanlan, seconded by Alderman Hawkins that the report of the Finance Committee (see printed Minutes of Council March 13th, 1913, page 516) re gratuity of \$1,000.00 to the widow of Robert MacKenzie be adopted and that the City Solicitor be instructed to add a clause to the City bills now before the Legislature authorizing the borrowing of said amount to be repaid through the estimates for 1914-15. Motion passed unanimously, the following named Aldermen being present and voting for the same:—Aldermen R. V. Harris, Morrow, Gates, Hattie, Scanlan, Hoben, Keltie, Hines, Hawkins, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie, Upham and Gough.—14.

Read letter County Clerk re separate representation for the City and the County in the House of Assembly.

REPRESENTATION IN LEGISLATURE.

Halifax, N. S., March 17th, 1913.

L. Fred. Monaghan, Esq., City Clerk:

Dear Sir:—At the Annual meeting of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of Halifax, a Committee consisting of Councillors Temple, C. E. Smith and Reid were appointed to again urge upon the Government the desirability of dividing the City and County of Halifax for purposes of representation in the Legislature of Nova Scotia, and that such Committee immediately take such steps as are necessary to secure the active co-operation of the City Council of Halifax and the Council of the Town of Dartmouth for that purpose.

We would be pleased if His Honor the Mayor would secure the appointment of a Committee of your Council, at the earliest possible time, to take up the matter.

PARKER ARCHIBALD, *Municipal Clerk.*

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Morrow that this Council cooperate with the Municipal Council in this matter and that His Worship the Mayor nominate a Committee for this purpose. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor in compliance with said resolution nominates the following Special Committee:—Aldermen R. V. Harris, Hattie, Scanlan, Keltie, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie. Approved.

Read report Committee on Works recommending the borrowing of amounts for various services.

LOANS FOR VARIOUS SERVICES.

City Works Office, March 26th, 1913.

To the City Council:

Gentlemen:—The Committee on Works beg to recommend that authority be obtained from the Legislature to borrow the following sums, viz:—

1. A sum not exceeding \$50,000.00 for water service improvements in reservoir and connections;
2. A sum not exceeding \$7,250.00 further for Cunard Street widening;
3. A sum not exceeding \$150,000.00 to defray cost of additional pavements and permanent street improvements;

To be borrowed on long term debentures from time to time and in such amounts as the Council may determine and to be applied to such localities as the Council may decide.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

Said report is considered clause by clause.

Read clause 1 re the borrowing of \$50,000.00 for the Water Department.

Moved by Alderman MacKenzie, seconded by Alderman Hawkins that said clause be adopted. Motion put and passed unanimously, the following Aldermen being present and voting for the same:—Aldermen R. V. Harris, Morrow, Gates, Hattie, Hoben, Keltie, Hines, Hawkins, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie, Upham and Gough.—13.

Read clause 2 re the borrowing of \$7,250.00 in connection with the widening of Cunard Street.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie that said clause be adopted. Motion put and passed, the following named Aldermen voting for the same:—Aldermen R. V. Harris, Morrow, Gates, Hattie, Hoben, Keltie, Hines, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie, Upham and Gough—12.

Alderman Hawkins excused from voting on the ground of personal interest.

Read clause 3 re the borrowing of \$150,000.00 to defray cost of additional pavements and permanent street improvements.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Martin that the total sum to be borrowed for these purposes be \$100,000.00 only, and that the City Solicitor in preparing legislation to authorize the borrowing provide that \$50,000.00 of said amount shall be for additional pavements under the conditions of the Permanent Pavement Act, and the other \$50,000.00 for permanent street improvements, the abutters on streets improved under said Act not to be charged for any betterment because of said Act. Motion passed unanimously, the following Aldermen being present and voting for the same:—Aldermen R. V. Harris, Morrow, Gates, Hattie, Hoben, Keltie, Hines, Hawkins, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie, Upham and Gough.—13.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Martin that the report of the Committee as amended be adopted as a whole. Motion passed unanimously.

Read draft Act on various matters prepared by the City Solicitor.

DRAFT ACT FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

Sec. 633 is amended by adding thereto the following subsection:—

(2) In any case requiring an unusual amount of time or labor the City may pay the persons employed as arbitrators such sum for their services as the Council sees fit or as is determined by a taxing authority of the Supreme Court, and the authority conferred by this amendment shall apply to any services rendered by any arbitrator before the passage thereof.

To defray deficit in amount provided for fees for Medical Examiner for year 1912-13, and anticipated deficit for year 1913-14.....\$200.00

In any investigation held by any Committee, such Committee may upon resolution of the City Council examine witnesses upon oath, to be administered by the Chairman of the Committee, and may compel the attendance of witnesses by subpoena signed by the Chairman, and any witness refusing to be sworn or to answer any question deemed proper by such Chairman, or to attend in pursuance of such subpoena when duly served upon him, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars, and may also be committed for contempt by a Judge of the Supreme Court on summary application to him in that behalf.

To defray costs and expenses in connection with the action The City of Halifax vs. The N. S. Car Works, in the Canadian Court and before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, Not exceeding.....\$3,000.00

The City may sell and dispose of the following lots of land, that is to say:—

- Young Avenue**, west side, one lot, 66'x165'
- Wellington St.**, east side, two lots, 35'x120'; 53'6"x120'
- Tower Road**, east side, one lot, 35'x140'
- Fenwick St.**, south side, one lot.
- Henry St.** west side, one lot.

for the best price obtainable and any moneys realized from the sale thereof shall be paid to the trustees of the general sinking fund for the purposes of that fund.

The same is considered clause by clause.

Read clause 1 re arbitrators' fees in cases of expropriation of property.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that said clause be adopted. Motion passed unanimously.

Read clause 2 re the borrowing of \$200.00 to defray deficit in amounts provided for Medical Examiner's fees.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that said clause be adopted. Motion passed unanimously, the following named Aldermen voting for the same:— Aldermen R. V. Harris, Morrow, Gates, Hattie, Hoben, Keltie, Hines, Hawkins, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie, Upham and Gough.—13.

Read clause 3 re investigations under oath by Committees of the City Council.

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Hines that said clause be adopted. Motion passed, 12 voting for the same, and 1 against it, as follows:—

For the Motion:—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Morrow, Gates, Hattie, Keltie, Hines, Hawkins, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie, Upham and Gough.—12.

Against it:—

Alderman Hoben.—1.

Read clause 4 re the borrowing of \$3,000.00 in connection with the appeal to the Privy Council of the action The City of Halifax vs. The N. S. Car Works.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Hawkins that said clause be adopted with the amendment that the debentures for said loan be issued to run for a period of five years. Motion passed unanimously, the following named Aldermen being present and voting for the same:— Aldermen R. V. Harris, Morrow, Gates, Hattie, Hoben, Keltie, Hines, Hawkins, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie, Upham and Gough.—13.

Read clause 5 authorizing the City to sell certain lots of land.

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Gates that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read letter R. M. MacGregor, Chairman House of Assembly Committee on Railways and Municipalities in re Halifax Electric Tramway.

HALIFAX TRAMWAY.

Halifax, March 18th, 1913.

F. P. Bligh, Esq., Mayor, Halifax:

My dear Mr. Mayor:—In the House of Assembly this afternoon two Bills entitled respectively "An Act to enable the City of Halifax to acquire the property and franchises of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited," and "An Act to incorporate the Halifax Tramways and Power Company, Limited, received their second reading and were referred to the Committee on Railways and Municipalities.

Hon. George E. Faulkner, who had both Bills in charge, suggested on the floors of the House that in view of the widespread interest in these two measures and the apparent diversity of opinion in the City respecting them it might be wise for the Chairman of the Committee to which they were referred to suggest to the parties most largely concerned that an effort be made during the Easter recess to bring the varied interests together. I am accordingly addressing you as Mayor of the City to see if it is not possible, either through your City Council or your Legislative Committee, to hold a conference with the representatives of the Tramway Company and at least make the endeavor to find some common basis of agreement. I do this the more confidently as the Directors of the Tramway Company have publicly intimated their readiness to meet representatives of the City and discuss the whole situation.

After the Easter recess our Committee will be prepared to give a public hearing on these two Bills. If the present situation continues it will admittedly be extremely difficult for the Committee and for the Legislature to determine equitably on these important measures. It seems to me that a conference between the parties most interested could certainly result in no harm and might be of great assistance in enabling the members of the Legislature to reach a definite conclusion.

I am sending a similar letter to Mr. E. A. Robert, President of the Tramway Company.

R. M. MacGREGOR, *Chairman House of Assembly Committee on Railways and Municipalities.*

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Gates that His Worship the Mayor appoint a Committee in compliance with the request of Mr. MacGregor.

Alderman MacKenzie submits the following amendment:

Resolved, that the Mayor be instructed to acknowledge receipt of letter from Mr. R. M. MacGregor, Chairman of the House of Assembly's Committee on Railways and Municipalities, and explain to Mr. MacGregor that the duly elected representatives of the people of Halifax in Council assembled have by a large majority agreed that the best interests of this City necessitates the acquisition of its vital public utilities, viz., the Tramway, Electric Light and Power and Gas Light and Power, by mutual agreement if possible, and if not by agreement then by expropriation, providing this principle is affirmed by a plebiscite vote of the duly qualified ratepayers. While always willing to receive any suggestions in the interests of the people from any Legislative Committee or other source, a Committee of the Council has already had a conference with the new owner of the Halifax Tramway and Electric Light and Power and Gas Light and Power Public Utilities. The representatives of the people of Halifax and of the private company owning our public utilities found themselves as far apart as the poles on the principle involved—the

City demanding public control of these franchises at a fair price, and the representative of the private company refusing for a moment to consider such demand of the City of Halifax. Consequently there appears no probability of reaching "a common basis of agreement."

Resolved, that this Council reaffirms the principle of the acquisition and control by the people of Halifax of the vital public utilities of Halifax and hereby instructs the Mayor and the Committee on Legislation in the strongest possible manner to urge the Legislature to enact into law the City bill providing for submitting the question of the acquisition of the Halifax Electric Tram. Company and its public franchises to a plebiscite vote of the people of Halifax.

Moved by Alderman MacKenzie, seconded by Alderman Keltie.

The vote being taken on the amendment, there appeared:—

For the Amendment—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Hattie.

Against it—

Aldermen Morrow, Gates.

Alderman Hoben here asks to be excused from voting.

Aldermen Hawkins and Morrow object to Alderman Hoben being excused from voting.

Continuing with the taking of the vote, there further appeared:—

For the Amendment—

Aldermen Hoben, Keltie, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie, Gough.

Against it—

Aldermen Hines, Hawkins, Upham.

His Worship the Mayor declared the amendment passed, 8 voting for the same and 5 against it.

Read report City Prison Committee re charges against Underkeeper George Brewer and covering accounts for payment.

REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

Committee Room, City Prison, March 24th, 1913.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on City Prison beg to report that at a meeting held this day, there being present Aldermen R. V. Harris, Chairman, Hines, Gough and J. C. Harris,

The Committee met at the Prison for the purpose of investigating the charges laid against Underkeeper George Brewer by Governor Grant of insubordination and incivility on the 8th February, and also that on the 19th March, 1913, he, the said George Brewer did of his own accord without valid excuse or reason abandon the Prison premises and totally disregarded his duties without the permission of the Governor.

On this latter charge the Chairman suspended Brewer pending an investigation by the Committee, which action was approved of

Your Committee find that the charge against Brewer for neglecting his duty by leaving the Prison without permission on the morning of the 19th March when there were thirty-one male and five female prisoners in custody was fully substantiated.

While the investigation was going on Mr. Brewer handed in his resignation to the Committee.

It is recommended that the resignation be accepted and the City Clerk be instructed to advertise for applications for the position of Underkeeper, salary to be \$550.00 per annum.

The following accounts amounting to \$137.75 were examined, found correct and recommended for payment, viz:

Melvin & Co., hardware, \$3.43; J. J. Scriven & Sons, bread, \$12.03; E. W. Crease & Son, groceries, \$35.24; W. A. Maling & Co., oxheads, \$10.75; J. S. Cashen & Son, oats, \$12.50; Black & Flinn, lime, \$2.20; S. Cunard & Co., coal, \$51.50; S. Cunard & Co., \$2.30; M. L. M. Buskins, sweeping chimney, \$6.00; W. Y. Kennedy, sox, \$1.80. Total, \$137.75.

R. V. HARRIS, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman J. C. Harris that the report be adopted and the accounts paid.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Morrow that the evidence taken in the investigation into the charges against Brewer be now read in Council and that he be dismissed from office.

Alderman Hawkins by leave of seconder and the Council withdraws his amendment.

Moved in amendment by Alderman MacKenzie, seconded by Alderman Morrow that George Brewer be dismissed from the position of Underkeeper at the City Prison. Amendment passed unanimously.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Morrow that the report of the Committee as amended be adopted and the accounts therein recommended paid. Motion passed.

Read report Civic Improvement Board re Grass Clipping Ordinance.

GRASS CLIPPING ORDINANCE.

Committee Room, City Hall, March 6th, 1913.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen:—This ordinance was referred back to the Civic Improvement Board for further consideration. The Board's opinion is still that this ordinance should be adopted and we therefore recommend that the Council adopt it.

Said ordinance reads as follows:

"29. (b) Where any sidewalk has been in part covered with sod, the occupier of the premises adjoining such sidewalk, or if the property is not occupied the owner thereof, shall keep the part of the sidewalk so sodded, close clipped, clean and in good order."

R. M. HATTIE, *Chairman Civic Improvement Board.*

Moved by Alderman Hattie, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that the report be adopted, and that the Ordinance be now read a first time. Motion passed.

The said Ordinance is now read a first time.

Moved by Alderman Hattie, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that the Ordinance be now read a second time. Motion passed.

The said Ordinance is now read a second time.

Read report Civic Improvement Board re City Hall Avenue.

CITY HALL AVENUE.

Committee Room, City Hall, March 6th, 1913.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen:—The Civic Improvement Board have further considered the matter reported previously respecting City Hall Avenue. It seems to be only a matter of time before this work must be carried out and it would be wise to take the preliminary steps as soon as possible, for the longer this work is delayed the greater will be the cost. We therefore recommend that City Hall Avenue, as laid down on the official plan, be accepted, and that the necessary steps preliminary to this as required by the city charter be taken without delay.

R. M. HATTIE, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Hattie, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that said report be referred to the Committee on Works for report at the next meeting of the Council. Motion passed.

Read report Civic Improvement Board in re sewer connections.

SEWER CONNECTIONS.

Committee Room, City Hall, March 6th, 1913.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen:—Clause six, of report of November 26th, 1912, referred back to this Board, is returned to the Council with the recommendation that it be adopted. Said clause reads as follows:

"The Committee recommend that the City Council seek legislative authority which will enable the Works Department to provide for all prospective sewer connections; between the street line and the sewer, on streets where it is proposed to build permanent sidewalks or other permanent street work."

R. M. HATTIE, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman MacKenzie, seconded by Alderman Hoben that said matter be referred to the Committee on Works for a report from the City Engineer. Motion passed.

Read report Special Committee on Public Market covering tenders for construction of a Market Building.

PUBLIC MARKET BUILDING.

Committee Room, City Hall, March 26th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council:

Gentlemen:—The Special Committee on Public Market beg to report that at a meeting held on the evening of March 5th, present Aldermen Gates, Chairman, MacKenzie and Hoben, the tenders received by the City Clerk in response to advertisement in the newspapers for construction of the proposed building were opened. Separate tenders were received for:—

- Mason and Carpenter Work.
- Heating.
- Painting.
- Inside Plumbing.
- Sheet Metal Work.
- Electric Wiring.

The several tenders were as follows:

| Tenderer | Bid | Deposit Cheque |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Mason and Carpenter Work. | | |
| M. E. Keefe Construction Co..... | \$110000 00 | \$5500 00 |
| Falconer & McDonald..... | 114381 00 | 5719 00 |
| S. A. Marshall & Son..... | 146997 00 | 7350 00 |
| E. J. Horne & Sons..... | 118590 00 | no cheque |
| Rhodes, Curry Co., Ltd..... | 167900 00 | 8395 00 |
| S. M. Brookfield, Ltd..... | 147960 00 | 7350 00 |

Painting.

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| Harrison Bros..... | 4592 00 | 229 60 |
| Walsh Bros., Ltd..... | 3167 00 | 158 35 |
| David Roche..... | 3828 00 | 191 40 |

Inside Plumbing.

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| J. G. Crump..... | \$ 2959 00 | no cheque |
| Day & Kinsman..... | 3908 00 | 195 40 |
| Farquhar Bros., Ltd. (see below)..... | 4484 00 | 490 00 |

Sheet Metal Work.

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| James Donohue..... | \$ 11982 00 | 600 00 |
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Heating.

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| Longard Bros..... | \$ 1989 00 | \$ 100 00 |
| Farquhar Bros., Ltd., (same cheque as above)..... | 2519 00 | |
| J. G. Crump..... | 2350 00 | no cheque |

Electric Wiring.

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| John Starr, Son & Co., Ltd..... | \$ 3545 00 | \$ 127 25 |
| Farquhar Bros., Ltd., (same cheque as above)..... | 2608 00 | |

\$36406 00

The lowest tenders added together for the building complete, make a total of \$133,654.00.

The lowest tenderers complying with the conditions of the specifications for the various parts of the work are those of The M. E. Keefe Construction Co., Walsh Bros., Ltd.; Day & Kinsman; James Donohue; Longard Bros., Farquhar Bros., Ltd.

The highest offers received added together total \$195,022.00.

Mr. S. P. Dumaresq, the architect, was requested to confer with the lowest tenderers with the view to revising the plans and specifications in order to reduce the cost of the building.

At a meeting of the Committee held on the 13th inst., present Aldermen Gates, Chairman, MacKenzie and Martin, Mr. Dumaresq reported on the new figures submitted by the tenderers, but in the opinion of the Committee the reductions made were not sufficient to justify a recommendation for any alterations in the original plan.

Mr. Dumaresq was asked to again consult the tenderers, submitting further alterations to the plans and specifications and to call for new figures.

At a meeting held on the 24th inst., present Alderman Gates, Chairman, Morrow, Martin and MacKenzie, the City Engineer and Mr. Dumaresq, sealed tenders on the amended specification were opened.

The deductions to original plans and specifications upon which new bids were asked, were as follows:—

- (1) Size of Building reduced in length 40 feet.
- (2) Waterproofing omitted under main floor of building.
- (3) Master Builders Compound omitted from main floor of building.
- (4) All dividing ribs on roof omitted.
- (5) All large skylights on main roof omitted.
- (6) All panic exit bolts omitted.
- (7) All partitions in janitor's quarters omitted.
- (8) All plumbing in janitor's quarters omitted, including gas stove, boiler and heater.

- (9) The following plumbing fixtures omitted, namely:
 2 Wash Basins in mezzanine toilet.
 2 W. C.'s in Men's toilet.
 2 W. C.'s in each mezzanine toilet.
 2 Urinals in Men's toilet.
 1 Drinking Fountain on main floor and all drinking fountains on mezzanine floor.
 (10) All heating omitted throughout janitor's quarters.
 (11) All painting to interior plaster omitted.
 (12) Ten arc lights instead of twenty-four for main building.
 (13) All wiring omitted throughout janitor's quarters.
 (14) Five Hundred Dollars allowed for electric light fixtures instead of One Thousand Dollars.

The following are the new tenders submitted:

Mason and Carpenter Work.

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| M. E. Keefe Construction Co. | \$104520 00 |
| Falconer & McDonald | 104950 00 |

Plumbing.

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| Day & Kinsman | 3208 00 |
| Farquhar Bros..... | 3830 00 |

Heating.

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| Longard Bros..... | \$ 1864 00 |
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Painting.

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| David Roche..... | \$ 2316 00 |
| Walsh Bros..... | 1900 00 |

Electric Wiring.

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| John Starr, Son & Co..... | \$ 2000 00 |
| Farquhar Bros..... | 2476 00 |

Metal Work.

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| James Donohue..... | \$ 6240 00 |
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Total amount of lowest tenders.....\$119732 00

The architect's fees are:

Original building, 5 per cent. on \$133,654.....\$ 6682 70

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| Revised building, 2½ per cent. on \$133,654..... | \$3341 35 |
| 2½ per cent. on \$119,732..... | 2993 30 |
| | <u>\$6334 65</u> |

The original tenders including architect's fees bring the cost of the building to \$140,336.70.

The cost of the proposed structure under the modified specification, including architect's fees, amounts to \$126,066.65.

Your Committee recommend the acceptance of the tenders of the lowest bidders in each case, on the amended specifications.

The amount of cash on hand in the Market Fund is slightly over \$70,000.00, so that it would be necessary to borrow about \$56,000.00, and your Committee recommend that authority be asked from the Legislature for this purpose.

H. E. GATES, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie that said report be adopted.

Alderman Gates with consent of the seconder and the Council withdraws his motion.

Alderman Gates submits the following resolution.

Resolved, that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft a borrowing bill to be submitted to the Legislature asking for authority to borrow a sum not exceeding \$60,000.00 to be devoted to the erection of a Market Building.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie.

Motion put and passed unanimously, the following named Aldermen being present and voting for the same, viz:—Aldermen R. V. Harris, Morrow, Gates, Hattie, Hoben, Keltie, Hines, Hawkins, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie, Upham—12.

Alderman Hoben submits the following resolution:—

Resolved, that in deference to Mr. MacGregor's request, the Legislation Committee be empowered to confer re Tram Company and hear any offer that may be made and report thereon to the City Council; and also to urge the views of the Council respecting municipal ownership upon the Nova Scotia Legislature's Committee.

Moved by Alderman Hoben seconded by Alderman Hattie.

Moved by Alderman Morrow, seconded by Alderman Martin that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost.

Alderman Hoben's resolution is put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 4 against it, as follows:

For the Resolution—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Gates, Hattie, Hoben, Hines, Hawkins, J. C. Harris, Upham.—8.

Against it:—

Aldermen Morrow, Keltie, Martin, MacKenzie.—4

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie that Mr. John T. Ross be appointed Arbitrator on behalf of the City in connection with the expropriation of sites for high service reservoirs.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman J. C. Harris that Mr. W. Stetson Rogers be appointed Arbitrator on behalf of the City in this connection.

The vote being taken, there appeared:—

For W. S. Rogers—

Aldermen Hoben, Keltie, Hines, Hawkins, Martin, J. C. Harris, Upham.—7.

For J. T. Ross—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Morrow, Gates, Hattie, MacKenzie.—5.

His Worship the Mayor declares W. Stetson Rogers duly appointed Arbitrator on behalf of the City.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Morrow that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 12.15 o'clock.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor.*

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk.*

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4.10 o'clock.

Council Chamber, City Hall, April 3rd, 1913.

A special meeting of the City Council was held this afternoon. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Martin, J. C. Harris, Hattie, Hawkins, Gates, Morrow, Gough, R. V. Harris and MacKenzie.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Keltie that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum is present or until 4.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

4.20 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Scanlan, Hoben, Keltie and Upham.

The Council was summoned to consider proposition of the President of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

By unanimous consent of Council the following named papers are presented and agreed to be dealt with:—

Report Charities Committee by Alderman Gates, Chairman.

By His Worship the Mayor:—

Cash statements City Collector, taxes and water rates, May, June and July, 1912.

Report City Health Board re accounts.

Application T. D. Chalmers for refund of liquor license deposit.

Report Committee on Works covering Water Department Estimates for 1913-14.

Report City Clerk re expropriation of properties for reservoirs.

Letter Halifax Development Company re cost of power.

Letter President of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company Limited, re Acts now before the Provincial Legislature.

REFERENCE OF PAPERS.

Read Cash Statements City Collector taxes and water rates for May, June and July, 1912. Filed.

Read report City Clerk re expropriation of properties for reservoirs for the Water Department.

WATER RESERVOIRS.

Office of City Clerk, April 2nd, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen:—I beg to report that in compliance with the provisions of Section 628 of the City Charter I did this day lodge for registry in the Registry of Deeds at Halifax, a copy of the resolution passed by the City Council March 13th, 1913, expropriating certain properties as sites for reservoirs on Shaffroth's Hill, for purposes of the Water Department of the City of Halifax.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN. *City Clerk.*

Filed.

Read application T. D. Chalmers for refund of liquor license deposit. Referred to Committee on Laws and Privileges for report.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read report City Health Board re accounts.

CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Office of City Health Board, March 31st, 1913.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council:

Gentlemen:—The City Health Board beg to recommend the payment of the following accounts, which were passed by the Board at a meeting held on Thursday last, viz:—

Soulis Newsome Co., typewriter, \$123.50; J. F. Dempster, board of patients, \$190.66. Total, \$314.16.

JOHN A. WATTERS, *Secretary.*

Moved by Alderman Gough, seconded by Alderman Martin that said report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Charities Committee on various matters.

REPORT CHARITIES COMMITTEE.

Halifax, April 2nd, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council:

Gentlemen:—The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report:—Members present, The Chairman, Alderman Morrow and Alderman Scanlan.

The Superintendent's report for March, 1913, shows that during the month there were 31 persons admitted into the City Home and 39 discharged. Of the number admitted 4 were chargeable to the Province, 1 to Annapolis Co., 1 to Ship Harbor, 1 to Port Mulgrave and 24 to the City. Five of the number admitted were transfers from the Nova Scotia Hospital, viz: 3 men and 2 women. The total number of inmates March 31st was 333, made up of 197 men, 128 women and 8 children. On the same date last year there were 220 men, 126 women and 1 child, a total of 347.

There were also 7 patients discharged from the Nova Scotia Hospital, during the month (including the 5 transferred to City Home) whose maintenance was chargeable to the City of Halifax, and 1 patient died.

The tender of S. Chittick & Son for supplying the institution with 80 lbs. of ice daily from June 10th to Oct. 1st, 1913, for the sum of Twenty dollars, is recommended for acceptance.

The following accounts are recommended for payment, viz:—Wentzell Ltd., \$269.97; W. A. Maling & Co., \$376.01; J. A. Leaman & Co., \$46.56; Smith & Proctor, \$148.75; C. F. Holland, \$96.72; Gunn & Co., Ltd., \$251.00; Fleischman & Co., \$3.90; A. Wilson & Son, \$34.00; J. & M. Murphy Ltd., \$50.13; Frank W. Fraser, \$39.57; Hugh D. MacKenzie Co., Ltd., \$371.40; Halifax Electric Tram Co., Ltd., \$31.90; Arthur Fordham & Co., \$15.83; Blackadar Bros., \$5.00; T. C. Allen & Co., \$7.00; Victoria General Hospital, \$104.73; C. E. Puttner, \$50.00; Maritime Telegraph & Phone Co., \$3.75; Henry H. Marshall, \$6.00; Farquhar Bros., \$1.95; Geo. E. Smith & Co., \$2.50; City Works Department, \$1.90; Crowell Bros., \$11.41; A. J. McNutt, \$1.75; Rhodes, Curry Co., Ltd., \$3.97; Kelly's Ltd., \$3.00; Baldwin & Co., \$1.10; Clayton & Son, \$37.00; Brookfield Bros., \$1.79; B. J. Mulcahy, \$78.85; Salaries, \$662.83. Total, \$2713.97.

H. E. GATES, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Morrow that said report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report Committee on Works covering Water Maintenance Estimates for 1913-14.

WATER MAINTENANCE ESTIMATES.

City Works Office, March 31st, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council:

Gentlemen:—I have been instructed by the Committee on Works to submit for your approval the Water Maintenance Estimates for the year 1913-14.

Water Maintenance, 1913-14.

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| Interest..... | \$ 56593 84 |
| Maintenance..... | 35000 00 |
| Sinking Fund..... | 7672 69 |
| Short Collection..... | 1000 00 |
| | \$100266 53 |

| <i>Less:—</i> | |
|---|-------------|
| Income from Special and Meter Rates..... | 71866 53 |
| | \$ 28400 00 |
| $\frac{3}{8}$ of \$28,400 = 10650 00..... | 28400 00 |
| $\frac{5}{8}$ of \$28400 = 17750 00..... | 28400 00 |
| \$14791667.00 at 12c = \$ 17750 00..... | 28400 00 |
| 7607143.00 at 14c = 10650 00..... | 28400 00 |

JAMES J. HOPEWELL, *Clerk of Works.*

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie that the report be adopted and the Water Department Estimates approved. Motion passed.

The Council now proceeds to the consideration of the business for which the meeting was specially called.

Read letter R. McColl, Manager Halifax Development Company, Limited, re prices at which said Company proposes to place their power on the market.

HALIFAX DEVELOPMENT CO'S PRICES FOR POWER.

Halifax Development Company, Ltd., Mar. 31st, 1913.

F. P. Bligh, Mayor City of Halifax:

*Sir:—*In various interviews we have had recently with prospective light and power consumers and manufacturers in the City, we have frequently been asked at what prices we propose to place our power on the market and we have already communicated approximate rates to several manufacturers. In view of the approaching discussion in the City Council on the matter of power and lighting rates, we think advance information might be of interest to you and your associates.

We propose to supply lighting current at the price of 10 c. per K. W. hour with a deduction of 25 per cent. for prompt payment; the present prices charged for lighting by the Tramway Company are 50 per cent. greater than those at which we propose to supply.

With respect to power current, the prices at which we propose to supply will be reduced considerably more than for lighting and will be very much less than what steam produced current can be supplied for, even under the most favorable conditions and with up to date steam plants. We cannot just now state exact prices for power consumers as they will depend on quantity, nature of use, etc.

Our latest reports show that we can probably deliver the first units of this cheap hydro-electric power within the City by December next.

R. McCOLL, *Manager.*

Filed.

Read offer of E. A. Robert, President Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, to make certain concessions to the City of Halifax on the understanding that the Company's exclusive right to operate its tramway shall be extended for forty years.

THE TRAMWAY COMPANY'S OFFER.

Halifax, N. S., April 1st, 1913.

F. P. Bligh, Esq., K. C., Mayor of Halifax, City:

Dear Mr. Mayor:—In accordance with your request, I beg to submit in writing the suggestions made by me at last night's meeting of your Committee on Legislation.

Referring first to Tramway extensions, I may repeat that it is very difficult at present to lay out a comprehensive scheme, for the reason that one can hardly foresee what changes in the distribution of the population of the City will be effected when the proposed terminals at the south end are completed. In the meantime, however, I may say that we propose to proceed with the double tracking of Inglis Street, which will greatly improve the main line service. We also propose to build the extension from Quinpool Road to the Arm Bridge ordered by the Legislature, and we will, if the City Council grants permission, adopt Alderman Clarke's suggestion and extend our line up Cogswell Street, across the Common to join the "Belt" line at Quinpool Road and Windsor Street. This will afford the citizens of that district quick and convenient access to the centre of the City, as well as greatly improving our Exhibition service.

I will be glad to meet with your Committee at any time and discuss any further extensions which will afford a reasonable return on the money required to construct them, but for the reasons stated above, perhaps the best that can be done at present is to plan our main lines so that they can be utilized as the base for further extensions.

The taxation to be paid by the Company to the City is fixed by Chapter 66, of the Acts of Nova Scotia for 1905, Section One (1). Under that section, the Company, in addition to the taxation by the law imposed upon the real property owned by it, is obliged to pay 4 per cent. of the gross tolls received from the operation of its railways; a license fee of one thousand dollars (\$1,000); water rates; and a sum equal to 2 per cent. of its gross receipts from the supply of electric energy and gas for lighting or power purposes. It is proposed to raise both of these percentages to five per cent. (5 p.c.), beginning with the current year.

The Company also offer to make a substantial reduction in the price of electric energy for light and power purposes. The present maximum price of electric energy for light is 15 cents per K. W. hour, with certain discounts for prompt payment. The Company propose to fix a maximum base rate of 10 cents per K. W. hour, less ten per cent. discount for cash on one (1) year contracts, and 25 per cent. discount for cash on five (5) year contracts. The present rate for electric energy for power purposes is 10c. per K. W. hour, with certain discounts. The Company propose to fix a maximum base rate for electric energy for power purposes of 5c. per K. W. hour,—these reductions to come into effect as soon as hydro-electric power, which the Company contemplates developing this summer, can be brought into the City of Halifax.

Last year the City received from the Company:

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| 2 and 4 per cent. on receipts..... | \$ 14901 89 |
| License fee..... | 1000 00 |
| Real estate tax..... | 8347 64 |
| | <u>\$ 24249 53</u> |

Based on last year's business, under the offer set out, we estimate that the City would receive the following:—

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| 5 per cent. on receipts..... | \$ 27000 00 |
| License fee..... | 1000 00 |
| Real Estate tax..... | 8500 00 |
| | <u>\$ 36500 00</u> |

The reduction in light and power rates based on the business done by the Company in 1912, would save electric light consumers between thirty-five and forty thousand dollars per annum, and the reduction in power rates, based on last year's business, would save power consumers between four and five thousand dollars per annum.

I would, however, point out to your honorable body the fact that the development and introduction into Halifax of hydro-electric power in large quantities would enable your citizens, with the co-operation of your Council and the Company to establish large manufacturing enterprises, which would have the tendency to help the development and growth of Halifax, and tend, at the same time, to materially increase the percentages paid by the Company to the City.

The offer above made would accomplish two things,—increase the revenue of the City on the one hand, and decrease the cost of electric lighting to the consumer on the other.

It is understood that this offer is made with the understanding that the Company's exclusive right to operate its tramway in the City of Halifax, which expires in 1916, shall be extended for a further term of forty years.

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY CO., LTD., *E. A. Robert, Pres.*

Moved by Alderman MacKenzie, seconded by Alderman Hoben that this Council do not accept the offer made by Mr. E. A. Robert, President of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, but that this Council adhere to their decision as expressed in the bill now before the Legislature entitled "An Act to enable the City of Halifax to acquire the Property and Franchises of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited," and will support the said bill before the Legislature as strongly as they can; also that copies of this expression of the Council's determination be forwarded to Hon. Geo. H. Murray, Premier of the Province; Hon. Geo. E. Faulkner, M. P. P., Robert E. Finn, M. P. P., H. J. Logan, M. P. P., the representatives of Halifax County; R. M. MacGregor, M. P. P., Chairman of the House of Assembly's Committee on Railways and Municipalities and Mr. E. A. Robert, President of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited.

Alderman Gates submits the following amendment:—

Whereas, an offer has been submitted to the City from the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, respecting the bringing into Halifax of a large quantity of electricity generated by water power, and respecting the increase of taxes to be paid to the City, and the reduction of prices to be charged the consumer;

Be it Resolved, that this Council regards the offer made as advantageous to the City, and requests the Legislature to insert in Bill No. 112, (entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the Halifax Tramways and Power Company, Limited") provisions to make said offer effective and binding on the Companies concerned and that the length of the Franchise be twenty years.

Moved by Alderman Gates, seconded by Alderman Morrow.

The amendment is put and lost, 5 voting for the same and 8 against it, as follows:

For the Amendment—

Aldermen Morrow, Gates, Hawkins, Upham, Gough.—5.

Against it—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Hattie, Scanlan, Hoben, Keltie, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie.—8.

Alderman Gates gives notice of reconsideration.

The original motion is put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 5 against it, as follows:—

For the Motion—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Hattie, Scanlan, Hoben, Keltie, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie.—8.

Against it—

Aldermen Morrow, Gates, Hawkins, Upham, Gough.—5.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Gates that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 5.50 o'clock.

L. FRED. MONAGHAN, *City Clerk*.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor*.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

Council Chamber, City Hall, April 14th, 1913.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Morrow, Martin, Gates, Hines, Dennis, J. C. Harris, Hawkins and Hattie.

Moved by Alderman Morrow, seconded by Alderman Martin that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum is present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.20 o'clock. Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen R. V. Harris, Scanlan, Clarke, Hoben, Keltie and MacKenzie.

The Council was summoned to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION.

Read No. 1 on Order of the Day, viz., Alderman Gates' notice of reconsideration of his amendment to resolution in re offer of E. A. Robert, President Halifax Electric Tramway Company. April 3rd. 1913. Page 559.

Alderman Gates declines to move for the reconsideration of this matter and the item is dropped from the Order Paper.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.

The following named papers are submitted:

Report City Prison Committee by Alderman R. V. Harris, Chairman.

Report Committee of Fire Wards by Alderman Scanlan, Chairman.

Petition for improvements to Quinpool Road by Alderman Keltie.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following named papers:

Letter Local Council of Women re the appointment of women as Commissioners of Public Schools, covering draft Act.

An Act to incorporate the Suburban Tramway Company, Limited.

An Act to exempt the property of the Local Council of Women from taxation.

A Bill to authorize the City of Halifax to permit the erection of poles and wires in the Streets.

Petition Nelson B. Smith against subdivision of property west of Oxford Street between Jubilee Road and Coburg Road, by Carrick, Ltd.

Application White Sox Base Ball Club that the Provincial Exhibition Grounds be levelled and made suitable for athletic sports.

Letters James P. Murray, William Kimber and Mrs. Catherine Cameron refusing the City's offer for land expropriated for water reservoirs and appointing arbitrators.

Letter Union Canadian Municipalities re Canadian Highway.

Report Coal Weighers for March.

Letter T. S. Rogers, April 7th, 1913, re operation of Halifax Tramway.

Report City Engineer re location of certain streets proposed to be laid out west of Oxford Street.

Report Police Committee covering accounts.

Reports (14) Committee on Works, viz:—
Cornwallis Street sidewalk.

Green Street sidewalk.

Gottingen Street sidewalk.

Tenders for reservoir.

Water Meter rentals.

Oakland Road extension.

Sewer connections.

Tenders for supplies.

Cabot Street sewer.

Harvard Street light.

Stairs Street water extension.

South Kline Street water extension.

Accounts.

City Hall Avenue.

REFERENCE OF PAPERS.

Read petition White Sox Base Ball Club that the Provincial Exhibition Grounds inside the race track be levelled and made suitable for athletic sports. Referred to Exhibition Commission for report.

Read letters Jas. P. Murray, Wm. Kimber and Catherine Cameron declining to accept the amounts of compensation offered for land expropriated for reservoir and respectively appointing arbitrators as follows:—for Jas. P. Murray, W. D. Cranston; for Wm. Kimber, W. D. Cranston; for Mrs. Catherine Cameron, H. S. Freeman. Filed.

Read report Coal Weighers for March. Filed.

CONSIDERATION OF PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Read letter Union Canadian Municipalities re Inter-Provincial Highway across Canada.

CANADIAN HIGHWAY.

Montreal, April 2nd, 1913.

To His Worship the Mayor and Council.

Dear Sirs:—The subject of an Inter-Provincial Highway across Canada, is on the programme of the Union of Canadian Municipalities for its next Convention.

Is not your municipality deeply interested in this very practical question? If so, is your Council prepared to pass, and send us, a resolution favoring the enterprise, so that it may be brought with united force to the attention of the Dominion and Provincial Governments?

Perhaps you would also like to send a delegate for that, and other purposes, to the Convention, which takes place at Saskatoon, on July 15th, 16th and 17th, next.

Enclosed is a form of resolution.

W. D. LIGHTHALL,
Hon. Secty. Treas., Union Canadian Municipalities.

The following resolution is submitted:—

Resolved That this Council is strongly in favor of the making by, or in conjunction with, the Governments concerned, an Inter-Provincial Highway, of good standard construction, across Canada.

And this Council request the Union of Canadian Municipalities to secure united action for the purpose.

Moved by Alderman Morrow, seconded by Alderman Martin and passed.

Read report Police Committee covering accounts.

POLICE ACCOUNTS.

April 14th, 1913.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Police Committee beg to recommend for payment the following accounts:—

N. S. Furnishing Co., oak chairs, \$30.00; Clayton & Sons, repairs and alterations coat, \$.25; Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co., Ltd., service for March, \$11.67; T. C. Allen & Co., envelopes, \$1.50; G. B. Oland & Co., motor cycle parts, \$11.50; Stroud & Eveleigh, rewiring tire, etc., \$3.00; Total, \$57.92.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Hines, seconded by Alderman Martin that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read report City Prison Committee on various matters.

REPORT CITY PRISON COMMITTEE.

Committee Room, City Hall, April 7th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on City Prison beg to report that at a meeting held this day, there being present Aldermen R. V. Harris, Chairman, Scanlan, Hines, J. C. Harris.

1. In response to advertisement for applications for position of Underkeeper twenty-two applications were received, viz:—Chas. Andrews, Geo. T. Barrett, Edw. Bayers, Alex. Clarke, Geo. Davis, Harry Gibson, J. R. Gillingham, W. H. Handsley, Newton Harvey, Daniel Johnston, James Martin, Allan McDonald, John McPhee, Fred Rafter, Percy Richardson, John B. Sykes, Eugene Tuffts, Herbert Yardley, Chas. Yeadon, Feodor Tranoff, Jose de Ramon y Lampanda y Ramsanig.

It is recommended that Mr. Alexander Clarke be appointed to the position of Underkeeper at the Prison.

Your Committee take this opportunity to bring to the notice of the Council, that owing to the large increase in number of long term prisoners in custody, the force of Underkeepers at present is totally inadequate to properly perform the duties required of them.

It is recommended that authority be given the Prison Committee to engage an additional Underkeeper before work on the farm is begun for the season.

2. The following accounts, amounting to \$43.94, were examined, found correct and recommended for payment, viz:—

E. W. Crease & Son, groceries, \$7.77; J. J. Scriven & Son, bread, \$7.11; W. A. Maling & Co., oxheads, \$4.00; Irwin & Sons, drugs, \$1.95; H. McFatrige, attendance, \$1.50; Blackadar Bros., advertising, \$4.35; James Nolan, hack hire, \$9.00 W. Y. Kennedy, yarn, \$.64; Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., light, \$2.00; Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Co., Ltd., telephone March, \$4.50; removal charge, \$1.12. Total, \$43.94.

The monthly report of the Governor was submitted and read and the recommendation referred to the Alderman for the month and Alderman Hines for report.

R. V. HARRIS, *Chairman.*

The same is considered clause by clause.

Read clause 1 recommending appointment of Alexander Clarke as an Underkeeper.

Moved by Alderman Hines, seconded by Alderman Martin that said clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read clause 2 re temporary employment of an additional Keeper.

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Hawkins that said clause be adopted and that an additional Underkeeper be temporarily employed if necessary. Motion passed.

Read clause 3 re accounts.

Moved by Alderman R. V. Harris, seconded by Alderman Hines that said clause be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

Read letter Local Council of Women calling attention to House of Assembly Bill No. 187, entitled "An Act to amend the Halifax City Charter," providing that "Women being residents of the City of Halifax shall be eligible for appointment as Commissioners of Schools."

WOMEN COMMISSIONERS OF SCHOOLS.

To the Mayor and City Council.

Sirs:—The Halifax Local Council of Women beg to call attention to the bill introduced into the Legislature by the Hon. Mr. Faulkner, providing that women shall be eligible for appointment as commissioners of schools. In view of the services which have been rendered elsewhere in this capacity by educated and cultured women of leisure, we would respectfully ask the support of the City Council to this bill.

AGNES DENNIS, *President Local Council.*

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that this Council approve of the said Bill. Motion passed unanimously.

Read House of Assembly Bill No. 55, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Local Council of Women, Halifax," the last clause of which provides that the real and personal property of the Council shall be exempt from taxation.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Gates that the delegation from the Local Council of Women now present be permitted to address the Council. Motion passed.

Mrs. Agnes Dennis, President of the Local Council of Women, now addresses the meeting in support of the Bill.

Moved by Alderman Hoben, seconded by Alderman Hattie that this Council concur in the provisions of clause 7 of the said Bill. Motion passed unanimously.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Oakland Road Extension.

OAKLAND ROAD EXTENSION.

City Works Office, April 11th, 1913.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Committee on Works beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer in favor of the extension of Oakland Road.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

City Engineer's Office, April 4th, 1913.

To His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying petition asking for the extension of Oakland Road from Oxford Street to the Arm.

The many Halifax people who live across the Arm in summer, use the Jollimore or Boutillier ferry. The ferry formerly landed in a cove below Oaklands and on the Oaklands property. Mr. Rod Macdonald, who owns Oaklands, cancelled the permission to use the cove, but gave temporary permission for the use of a landing immediately south of the Armview boathouse.

The petition states that Mr. Macdonald has now decided to cancel permission for the use of that landing, and has notified Mr. Jos. Boutillier, the owner of the ferry. The only landing open to the ferrymen and the people who use the ferry, is the foot of South Street, which is some distance north of Boutillier's Point, where the ferry now lands across the Arm. In winter, when the ice is not strong enough to cross upon, at times the ferrymen could not reach the foot of South Street. In rough weather or high winds it is difficult to get to the South Street landing, and exposes passengers, especially ladies, to the wind and spray longer than should be necessary in crossing.

In the interests of the public, it is desirable that the crossing should be made as short and as direct as possible. There are only two points available opposite Jollimore's for landing, one at the proposed western terminus of Inglis Street, the other at the proposed western terminus of Oakland Road. The cost of opening Inglis Street would be considerably greater than the cost of opening Oakland Road. The distance from Oxford Street to the Arm on the line of Oakland Road, as shown on the official plan, is about 600 feet. The new railway will cross this extension immediately below Oxford Street, leaving only about four hundred feet to be obtained through Mr. Macdonald's property.

I wrote to Mr. Madconald, asking him on what terms he would transfer the land required for the proposed extension, to the City. He did not answer my letter, but informed the City Solicitor that in consequence of the railway line running through the property, he was not in a position to discuss terms at present.

I would recommend, therefore, that steps be taken to expropriate the extension of Oakland Road from the east side of Oxford Street to the Arm, and that provision be made in the City's Bill now before the Legislature, to borrow such sum as may be necessary to cover the expense.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Morrow that the same be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Aldermen Hoben, seconded by Alderman Keltie that a clause be inserted in the City's borrowing Bill authorizing a loan not to exceed \$1,000 in connection with the extension of Oakland Road.

Amendment put and lost, 6 voting for the same and 8 against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment—

Aldermen Dennis, Clarke, Hoben, Keltie, Hines, J. C. Harris.—6.

Against it—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Morrow, Gates, Hattie, Scanlan, Hawkins, Martin, MacKenzie.—8.

The original motion is put and passed, 13 voting for the same and 1 against it, as follows:—

For the Motion—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Morrow, Gates, Hattie, Scanlan, Dennis, Clarke, Hoben, Hines, Hawkins, Martin, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie.—13.

Against it—

Alderman Keltie.—1.

Read report Committee of Fire Wards on various matters.

REPORT COMMITTEE OF FIRE WARDS.

Committee Room, City Hall, April 8th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Committee of Fire Wards met this evening. Present all the Members of the Committee.

The Committee beg to report and recommend as follows:—

1. The Harbor Master, Captain F. G. Rudolf, appeared before the Committee, submitting a letter from the Marine and Fisheries Department relating to the storage of inflammable oils in the City of Halifax. He desired information as to the civic regulations in force here, and as to whether the City desired any further restrictions as to quantities permitted to be stored.

Chief Broderick also discussed the question.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Committee and ordered to be forwarded to the Council for concurrence:—

Resolved, that any petroleum, naphtha or other inflammable oil landed in the City, ex vessel or railway, in quantities exceeding five barrels, shall be stored north of the Narrows in a building or buildings satisfactory to the Chief of the Fire Department.

2. The Committee decided to insure the gasoline motor fire engine "Patricia," for \$8,000.00 until May 10th, 1913.

3. Thomas Healey, previously reported sick, has not yet reported for duty.

4. Driver Wm. McGuire, injured February 22nd, reported for duty March 18th.

5. John MacNeill, John Green, Geo. Saunders, Drivers; Albert Callis and Robert Shippen, Callmen; and John Andrews, Supernumerary, have resigned, and their resignations are recommended for acceptance.

6. Thos. Powell, Driver on No. 4. Waggon, suspended from March 18th to March 28th for being under the influence of liquor while on duty, was ordered to be reinstated upon taking the pledge.

7. Wm. Clements, absent from third alarm of fire, Box 63, April 1st, was excused for good reasons given by him.

8. The old steam fire engine "Chebucto" has been giving the Department much trouble and went out of commission at fire, Box 63, April 1st. She has been repaired by the Department and put back into commission.

9. The Turret Waggon at Bedford Row House had a hind spring broken responding to an alarm March 24th; repairs cost \$15.00.

10. At tests of motor engine 5 lengths of "Maltese Cross" rubber hose burst; 4 of the lengths had been 6 years in commission, and 1 length 13 years.

11. The following appointments are recommended:—Charles H. MacPhee, Supernumerary, to be Callman, vice Albert Callis, resigned; Albert Hoganson, John Delaney, John Duggan, W. T. Harrington, John Green, Maurice Power and Frederick Harper to be Supernumeraries.

12. It is recommended that the motor engine "Patricia" be placed in commission at the West Street House as soon as an expert operator is engaged; that James Hilton be engaged for this machine for at least 6 months at a salary of \$20.00 a week, and that if his services cannot be obtained on these terms, that C. W. Wickwire be engaged for the same period at \$20.00 a week.

13. The Committee have authorized the Chief to sell his driving mare "Mona" at private sale, and if he is not able to do so, that he have it destroyed.

14. During recent years the Estimates for the various services of the Fire Department have been so finely calculated in advance that the practice of waiting until almost the end of the civic year before making many needed expenditures has

developed into a custom which necessitates an application to the Council for permission to carry on work which otherwise would have been done months before. An example of this is shown amongst the accounts submitted with this report for work chargeable to 1911-12 account—the delay being due to the fact that, not being ordered until the balance of appropriation was known, it could not be overtaken earlier by the Department's employees who do the work more economically than it would be performed under contract. The present Committee find themselves in the same position as their predecessors and beg now to recommend that the Department be authorized to effect the following named and other minor improvements or such of them as will not exceed the limit of the appropriation:—

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| Repairing, painting and furnishing room in Spring Graden Road House..... | \$175 00 |
| New Doors West Street House..... | 225 00 |
| Small equipment—life belts, ropes, etc..... | 100 00 |
| New doors Grafton Street House..... | 100 00 |
| Two Spare Wheels for Hose Waggons..... | 38 00 |

15 The following named accounts are recommended for payment:—

Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd., light, \$20.13, power, \$16.21, total, \$36.34; T. C. Allen & Co., printing, \$3.50; Burns & Kelleher, repairs, \$3.50; W. N. Brown, carriage work, \$9.40; Henry Cook, lard, \$.85; Canadian Oil Companies, Ltd., gasoline, \$13.89; Cragg Bros. Co., Ltd., hardware, \$1.79; Charles Connors, meals, \$23.75; Callmen working at ruins, \$33.30; James Donohue, metal work, \$2.73; Davison Parker Co., Ltd., lumber, \$72.93; Patrick Dowd, carriage work, \$15.85; James Dempster, Ltd., lumber, \$27.76; Firemen working after hours, \$10.00; Farquhar Bros., supplies, \$24.58; Guildford & Sons, gauge glasses, \$.20; Andrew Grant, lubricants, \$5.00; Hillside stables, team hire, \$3.00; Hillis & Sons, castings, \$76.40; James Hilton, operating motor engine at fire, \$7.00; Halifax Steam Laundry, laundry, \$7.84; Imperial Oil Co., Ltd., gasoline, \$39.50; Kline & Mullins, cord, \$1.25; Kelly's Ltd., clippers, \$3.50; W. C. Knight, whips, \$3.60; Lawrence Hardware Co., Ltd., hardware, \$12.12; W. & A. Moir, machine work, \$20.25; Morton & Cragg, lights, \$8.64; Melvin & Co., hardware, \$.60; Hugh D. MacKenzie Co., Ltd., charcoal, \$1.20; Mader's Cafe, meals, \$3.20; Macdonald & Co., Ltd., fittings, \$.75; Maritime Paint & Varnish Co., Ltd., sponges, \$8.00; C. L. Newman, C. Wickwire, Jas. Hilton, expert services, \$150.00; C. L. Newman, supplies, \$23.30; Geo. A. Perrier, fittings, \$18.26; Wm. Roche, coal, \$84.80; G. U. Rafuse, meals, \$3.70; David Roche, painting, \$46.21; Stroud & Eveleigh, carriage work, \$2.25; F. A. Shaw, fodder, \$503.98; Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow, Ltd., hardware, \$6.21; Thos. Trenaman, M. D., examination callmen, \$11.00; Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co., Ltd., phones, \$27.20; Wentzells, Ltd., soap, \$2.25; C. W. Wickwire, supplies, \$1.75; Total, \$1363.13.

The foregoing accounts include items totalling \$206.48 on 1911-12 account and bills to the extent of \$296.65 in connection with the motor fire engine, of which \$150.00 is for the three experts conducting the tests of the machine.

M. SCANLAN, Jr., *Chairman.*

The same is considered clause by clause and the various clauses thereof respectively adopted.

Moved by Alderman Scanlan, seconded by Alderman R. V. Harris that the report be adopted as a whole and the accounts therein recommended paid. Motion passed.

Read report City Engineer re new streets proposed to be laid out and plotted on the City plan on property west of Oxford Street, between Jubilee Road and Coburg Road.

NEW STREETS WEST OF OXFORD STREET.

Halifax, N. S., April 12th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor and Council, City of Halifax.

Dear Sirs:—As requested under Section 557 of the City Charter, we submit herewith a plan of division of property situated on the west side of Oxford Street north of Jubilee Road, and would ask your approval of the location of the streets laid down thereon.

As we are extremely desirous of opening up this section just as soon as possible, we would respectfully request that this should have the attention of the City Council at their next sitting, which we understand is on the evening of Monday next, the 14th inst. You will recognize the urgency of this from our point when we state that we are ready to let contracts for the grading of the streets, and of course cannot do so until the locations are approved.

We might state that we have written the owners of the adjoining properties that we have made this application.

Trusting that the above matter may have immediate attention, which we would greatly appreciate.

CARRICK LIMITED, *Per Jno. C. Imlay.*

City Engineer's Office, April 14th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying communication from Messrs. Carrick Limited, asking for approval of the location of the streets laid down upon their property west of Oxford Street between Jubilee Road and Coburg Road.

I certify that the proposed streets as shown on the plan submitted herewith, comply with the requirements of the law and the location is in other respects satisfactory. I therefore recommend that the consent of the City Council be given to Carrick Limited to lay out and open the streets shown on the plan in their property, and that the City Engineer be authorized to lay down upon the Official Plan Cambridge Street, Pepperell Street, Beech Street, Norwood Street and Jennings Street as shown on the plan herewith submitted by Carrick Limited, the said plan being filed in the City Engineer's Office as Plan No.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Also read protest from Nelson B. Smith against the subdivision of the said property in the manner proposed.

Halifax, April 14th, 1913.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council.

Gentlemen:—The representative of Messrs. Carrick, Ltd., has just shown me a proposed plan of subdivision of the block on the west side of Oxford Street,

between Jubilee and Coburg Roads, which I understand is to be submitted to your Council in the near future, to be voted upon, as to whether or not it shall become a portion of the official City plan.

The plan proposes to extend Jennings Street through my property, with the result that the street line will run directly through my residence. I therefore bring the matter to your notice, feeling sure that you will see that a grave injustice and serious loss to me will be avoided by your refusing to adopt the proposed plan.

When building my residence, I consulted the City Engineer, and it was with his full knowledge, and with at least no objection on his part, that my residence was built on its present location.

NELSON B. SMITH.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Hoben that Mr. Smith be permitted to state his case before the Council. Motion passed.

Mr. Smith addresses the Council, stating that the proposed plan shows a street running through the property upon which his new residence now stands, and requests the Council to protect his interests in the matter.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie that this matter be referred to the Committee on Works for report at the next meeting of the Council. Motion passed.

Read report Committee on Works re tenders for construction of a water reservoir on Shaffroth's Hill, recommending the acceptance of the offer of the Standard Construction Company, \$55,107.00.

WATER RESERVOIR.

City Works Office, April 12th, 1913.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held April 2nd, inst., tenders were opened for the construction of a reservoir, as follows:—

| | Item A without roof | Item B with roof | Item C | Item D |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
| G. B. Lowe, City Engineer's specification | 61,874.00 | 81,245.00 | .75 | 8.50 |
| M. E. Keefe, City Engineer's specification | 70,231.00 | 75,900.00 | 1.00 | 12.00 |
| British American Construction Co., City Engineer's specification | 67,304.00 | 84,300.00 | 5.00 | 18.00 |
| Standard Construction Co., City Engineer's speci- fication | 48,474.00 | 55,107.00 | 3.50 | 7.50 |
| Thompson and Theakston, City Engineer's speci- fication | 52,444.00 | 61,257.00 | 4.50 | 9.00 |
| Thompson and Theakston, their own specification. | 46,591.00 | 55,394.00 | 4.50 | 9.00 |
| E. Horne, their own specification | 63,380.00 | 75,000.00 | 5.00 | 8.00 |
| E. Horne, City Engineer's specification | 76,360.00 | 88,600.00 | 5.00 | 8.00 |

Referred to City Engineer for report.

At a meeting held April 11th, inst., the City Engineer verbally reported that the tender of the Standard Construction Company with roof was lowest, and the same is recommended for acceptance.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Hawkins that the report be adopted and the contract awarded as recommended in the report. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re sewer connections.

SEWER CONNECTIONS.

City Works Office, April 11th, 1913.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:—Attached hereto is a report from the City Engineer in re minute of Council and report of Civic Improvement Board as to sewer connections. The Committee on Works beg to recommend that the report of the City Engineer be adopted.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

City Engineer's Office, March 31st, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying communication from the Civic Improvement Committee, respecting the laying of house drains. The Committee recommend that the Council seek legislative authority which will enable the Works Department to lay drains to vacant properties where it is proposed to construct permanent sidewalks or pavements.

In some cities the City Works Department has the power to lay not only the house drain but a water service pipe, so that the pavement will not have to be cut afterwards for such purpose. I think the City should have the power to do such work as it is done in other cities. A number of cuts have been made in our sheet asphalt and bitulithic pavement which would not have been necessary if we had had the power to lay the drains and pipes before laying the pavement. There would be little difficulty in laying out the plumbing and drainage inside the buildings to connect with a drain laid in advance of the construction of the building. It would be necessary to lay the house drain as deep as the sewer depth would permit. While it might perhaps be too stringent to enforce such a regulation in the suburbs where concrete sidewalks are being laid, there is no question in my mind, as to the necessity for such a regulation in the business part of the city and on such streets outside that district as the City may decide to pave.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Hattie that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer recommending the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the south side of Green Street from Pleasant Street west.

GREEN STREET SIDEWALK.

City Works Office, April 11th, 1913.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:—Attached hereto is a report from the City Engineer in favor of the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the south side of Green Street from Pleasant Street west.

The Committee on Works beg to recommend that said report be adopted.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

City Engineer's Office, April 4th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying petition asking for the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the south side of Green Street from Pleasant Street west.

There is a concrete curb and gutter on the south side of Green Street. The material of which the sidewalk is made, makes a muddy and disagreeable condition when the frost is coming out of the ground. As the petition states, all the streets leading westwardly from Pleasant Street from the centre of the City south, are provided with concrete sidewalks except Green Street, Harvey Street and Smith Street.

The estimated cost of laying the sidewalk asked for, is \$770.00. I would recommend that a concrete sidewalk be laid on the south side of Green Street from Pleasant Street westwardly to the dump, under the Permanent Sidewalk Act, 1906.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Morrow that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re rental of 5-8 inch meters.

RENTAL OF METERS.

City Works Office, April 8th, 1913.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Committee on Works beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer in re rental of 5-8" meters.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

City Engineer's Office, April 2nd, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—The meter rental fixed by the Council for meters on Commercial premises, is \$2.00 per annum for $\frac{1}{2}$ " meters and \$3.00 per annum for 5-8" meters.

At the time the rental was fixed, we did not use 5-8" meters. The new ones purchased now, are of American manufacture—they do not make a $\frac{1}{2}$ " meter and we are obliged to use a $\frac{3}{8}$ " meter on a $\frac{1}{2}$ " pipe. It would not be fair to consumers to charge them the extra dollar, as in any case we get the $\frac{3}{8}$ " meters for a lower price than the amount we pay for the $\frac{1}{2}$ " meters, which are of English manufacture. I would recommend, therefore, that the rental for $\frac{3}{8}$ " meters be changed to \$2.00 per annum.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Dennis that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re sewer Cabot Street.

CABOT STREET SEWER.

City Works Office, April 11th, 1913.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:—The Committee on Works beg to recommend for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer in favor of building a sewer in Cabot Street.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

City Engineer's Office, March 18th, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying petition asking for the construction of a sewer in Cabot Street.

The estimated cost is \$5100.00, estimated assessment \$2000.00. I would recommend that a sewer be ordered to be constructed in Cabot Street between Agricola and Gottingen Streets.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman MacKenzie that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re concrete sidewalk Gottingen Street, west side, from Gerrish Street to North Street.

GOTTINGEN STREET SIDEWALK, CURB AND GUTTER.

City Works Office, April 11th, 1913.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:—Attached hereto is a report from the City Engineer in re concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter on Gottingen Street from Gerrish Street to North Street.

The Committee on Works beg to recommend that said report be adopted.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

City Engineer's Office, March 31st, 1913.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:—I beg to report on the accompanying petition asking for the construction of a sidewalk on the west side of Gottingen Street between Gerrish and North Streets.

The sidewalk petitioned for, is the only block between Cogswell and Macara Streets which has no curb and gutter or covering except mud. Gottingen Street is the most important thoroughfare in the north end of the City, and it is important that the sidewalks should be in good condition. The estimated cost of constructing the work asked for is \$6765.00.

I would recommend that a concrete sidewalk with granite curb and gutter be constructed on the west side of Gottingen Street between Gerrish Street and North Street under the Permanent Sidewalk Act, 1906.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman J. C. Harris, seconded by Alderman Hawkins that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report Committee on Works re tenders for supplies, etc.

TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES, ETC.

City Works Office, April 8th, 1913.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the 2nd inst. tenders were received for supplies for the Works Department during the civic year 1913-14, as follows:—

Maintenance of City Clocks.

F. C. Ryan.....\$148.00 per year

This tender, being the only one, is recommended for acceptance.

Scrap Iron.

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| Wm. Grant..... | \$11.50 per 2000 lbs. |
| Wm. McFtridge..... | 12.00 per 2000 lbs. |
| John Simon..... | 12.25 per 2000 lbs. |

The tender of John Simon, being the highest, is recommended for acceptance.

Water Meters.

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| Neptune Meter Co..... | \$8.00 in bond. |
| H. B. Clarke & Son..... | \$8.00 in bond. |

As the price is the same it is recommended that seventy-five meters be purchased from each firm.

Drain Pipe.

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| Rhodes, Curry & Co., 1500 ft. 6" crock..... | 14½c. per foot. |
| Brookfield Bros., 1500 ft. 6" crock..... | 14c. per foot. |

The tender of Brookfield Bros., being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Bricks.

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| Rhodes, Curry & Co., for 50,000 | \$12.00 per M. |
| | \$12.25 cotton factory. |
| Brookfield Bros., for 50,000..... | \$10.50 per M. |

The tender of Brookfield Bros., being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Explosives.

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| Austen Bros..... | 40% Dynamite, 15c.—50% 16½c.—Fuses, 3½c. |
| Canada Explosives } 40% Dynamite, 14½c.—50% 16½c. | |
| Company. } 60% Dynamite, 17½c.— | Fuses 3½c. & 3c. |
| Canada Explosives Co., Dynamite.... | \$14.15—50% 15.65 |
| | 60% 17.15. |

The tender of the Canada Explosives Co., being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Cement.

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| Brookfield Bros., for 2,000,000 lbs. 87½ lb. bags, 40½c. per 100 lbs. & 10c. each bag. |
| Rhodes, Curry & Co., for 2,000,000 lbs., 87½ lb. bags, 40½c. per 100 lbs. & 10c. each bag |

The tender of Brookfield Bros., being in the best interest of the City, is recommended for acceptance as the bags will be paid for on the count in Halifax, not at the mill.

Horses and Drivers, Watering Carts.

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| M. Killeen, 1 pair horses and driver..... | \$5.00 per day |
| Sam. Walker, 1 pair horses and driver or more..... | 5.00 " |
| Wm. Parsons, Sr., 2 pair horses and driver or more..... | 5.00 " |
| John Nolan (at South end,) 3 pair horses and driver..... | 4.00 " |
| John Warren (half-day \$3.00) all required..... | 4.00 " |

It is recommended that the tenders of John Nolan and John Warren for three teams each be accepted, upon such routes as the City Engineer shall direct.

Corporation Stop Cocks.

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| McAvity & Son (St. John, N. B.).. | \$1.00 for $\frac{1}{2}$ " | \$1.20 for $\frac{3}{4}$ " |
| Millers, Ltd. (London, Ont.)..... | .68 for $\frac{1}{2}$ " | 1.14 for $\frac{3}{4}$ " |

The tender of Millers, Ltd., being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Wheels for Waggons and Carts.

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| | L.F.W. | S.F.W. | L.H.W. | S.H.W. | F.W. | H.W. |
| Stroud & Eveleigh..... | \$17.00 | \$14.00 | \$19.00 | \$15.00 | \$13.00 | \$15.00 |

The tender of Stroud & Eveleigh, being the only tender received, is recommended for acceptance.

Castings.

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| Douglas & Co..... | 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ |
| Hillis & Son..... | 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 2 $\frac{3}{8}$ | 2 $\frac{1}{8}$ | 2 | 1 $\frac{3}{2}$ | 2 | 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ |
| | 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 3 | 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 2 |
| | 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 2 | 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 2 | | |

The tender of Douglas & Co., being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Lumber.

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| Rhodes, Curry & Co..... | \$1914.56 |
| Brookfield Bros..... | 1804.79 |

The tender of Brookfield Bros., being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Hardware.

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| Jas. Simmonds, Ltd..... | \$2371.99 |
| Lawrence Hardware Co..... | 2437.07 |

The tender of Jas. Simmonds, Ltd., being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Granite.

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| Andrew W. Yeadon.. | 1.30 | 1.40 | .65 | .85 | .75 | 1.00 | 7.25 | 9.00 |
| John Kline..... | 10.25 | 9.75 | 7.50 | 10.00 | 2.35 | 1.10 | | |
| | 1.27 | 1.37 | .62 | .82 | .73 | .97 | 7.00 | 9.00 |
| | 9.50 | 7.50 | 10.00 | 2.30 | 1.00 | | | 10.00 |

The tender of John Kline, being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Veterinary Services.

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| Dr. McFatrige..... | \$3.25 per horse. |
| Dr. Gough..... | \$2.90 per horse. |

The tender of Dr. Gough being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

F. P. BLIGH, *Mayor and Chairman.*

The same is considered item by item.

Read clause re maintenance of City clocks. Passed.

Read clause re scrap iron. Passed.

Read clause re water meters.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Hawkins that said clause be adopted. Motion passed, 9 voting for the same and 5 against it, as follows:—

For the Motion—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Morrow, Gates, Hattie, Clarke, Hines, Hawkins, Martin, MacKenzie.—9.

Against it—

Aldermen Scanlan, Dennis, Hoben, Keltie, J. C. Harris.—5.

The several clauses re drain pipe, bricks, explosives and cement are severally read and adopted.

Read clause re horses and drivers for watering carts.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Hoben that said clause be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman J. C. Harris that the tender of John Warren for the whole service be accepted.

The amendment is put and lost, 5 voting for the same and 9 against it, as follows:—

For the Amendment—

Aldermen Clarke, Keltie, Hawkins, J. C. Harris, MacKenzie.—5.

Against it—

Aldermen R. V. Harris, Morrow, Gates, Hattie, Scanlan, Dennis, Hoben, Hines, Martin.—9.

The original motion is put and passed.

The remaining clauses of the report, i. e., corporation stop cocks, wheels for waggons and carts, castings, lumber, hardware, granite and veterinary services are severally read and adopted.